(b) the number of EMU trains on suburban section of Delhi,Mumbai,Calcutta and Chennai separately;

(c) the ratio of passengers and EMU trains in each suburban section of the above metropolitan cities; and

(d) the net earnings from each suburban section ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) Total number of suburban passengers travelled in Delhi,Mumbai,Calcutta and Chennai in 1995-96 and 1996-97 is as under :

Number of passengers originating

(In Millions)

	1995-96	1996-97
Delhi	2	2
Mumbai	1813	1892
Calcutta	470	476
Chennai	199	208

Delhi has not been formally declared as 'suburban'. The Figures of suburban-like passenger traffic in and around Delhi have , however, been shown against Delhi.

(b) Average number of EMU trains run daily :

Delhi	22
Mumbai	2035
Calcutta	863
Chennai	553

(c) Average number of passenger per EMU train :

Delhi	278
Mumbai	2547
Calcutta	1510
Chennai	1032

(d) 'No separate accounts in respect of suburban services are maintained and, as such, no separate financial results for the same can be indicated. However, costing exercise is under taken to workout the working expenses, earnings and surplus in respect of the suburban services. The figures showing the financial results worked out for the suburban Railways in Mumbai, Calcutta and Chennai for the year 1995-96 (latest available) are shown below :

Profit (+)/Loss(-)	(Rs.in Crores)
Mumbai	(+) 82.23
Calcutta	(-) 259.31
Chennai	(-)73.77

[Translation]

Income earned by Doordarshan

255. SHRI VIJAY GOEL : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of income earned by Doordarshan by telecasting various serials during 1996-97;

(b) the name of the serial which earned maximum income; and

(c) the names of serials still pending for approval ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY) : (a) The total amount earned by Doordarshan by telecast of programmes including serials was Rs.572.72 crores during 1996-97.

(b) "Shri Krishna" Sir.

(c) The names of serials pending approval cannot be furnished at this stage since they are at various stages of processing. The number runs into thousands since producers submit proposals on their own without any reference to Doordarshan's requirement.

[English]

Live Telecast of Matches and running Commentaries by AIR

256. SHRI R. L. P. VERMA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether cricket matches played between India and Pakistan in Toronto and Pakistan were not live telecast;

(b) whether even running commentaries have not been broadcast by All India Radio;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the losses of revenue suffered by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY) : (a) Yes, Sir. The matches could not be telecast live as telecasting rights were not available with Doordarshan.

(b) and (c) All India Radio covered the cricket matches played between India and Pakistan in Pakistan and commentaries were broadcast on National hook up between 28.9.1997 and 2.10.1997. The cricket matches played between India and Pakistan in Toronto were not covered